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this response. It is believed that no further fees are due as a result of the present amendment, but if any such additional fees are deemed necessary, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 10-0849.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 4, 9, 15, and 26 to read as follows.

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1. (Amended) An aqueous composition for reducing malodor impression, said composition comprising from about 0.01 to 10.0 weight percent of a surfactant/solubilizer, from about 0.01 to about 20.0 weight percent of a solvent/drying aid, from about 0.01 to about 1.0 weight percent of a fragrance selected from the group consisting of fresh clean, spicy, floral, citrus, ozone, and marine type perfumes, from about 0.05 to about 5.0 weight percent odor absorber, sufficient buffering agent to maintain the pH of the solution between 3 and 7, and the balance water.

2. (Amended) The aqueous composition of claim 1, wherein said surfactant/solubilizer is selected from the group consisting of nonionic, anionic, cationic, and amphoteric surfactants having the ability to solubilize perfumes having a C log P value greater than 3.

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4. (Amended) The aqueous composition of claim 1, wherein said fragrance selected from the group consisting of clean fresh and floral perfumes having a C log P value greater than [about] 3.

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a⁵ 9. (Amended) The aqueous composition of claim 7, wherein said fragrance is selected from the group consisting of clean fresh and floral perfumes having a C log P value greater than 3.

a⁶ 15. (Amended) An aqueous composition comprising a perfume having a C log P value greater than 3 selected from the group consisting of fresh clean, spicy, floral, citrus, ozone, and marine type perfumes, a surfactant/solubilizer selected from the group consisting of linear primary alcohols, ethoxylated fatty alcohols, linear primary alcohol ethoxylates, polyoxyethylene ethers, alkoxylated biodegradable hydrotropes, ether sulfates, linear ethylene oxide, quaternary ammonium halides, betaines, amine oxides, and mixtures thereof; a solvent/drying aid selected from the group consisting of glycol ethers, glycol ether acetates, and mixtures thereof; an odor absorber selected from the group consisting of acetates, chlorides, sulfates, nitrates, gluconates, maleates, lactates, and salicylates of zinc, copper, silver, zirconium, nickel, and chromium, and sufficient buffering agent to maintain the pH of said composition between about 3 and about 7.

a⁷ 26. (Amended) A method for reducing malodor of a surface, said method comprising applying to said surface an effective amount of an aqueous solution comprising a perfume having a C log P value greater than 3 selected from the group consisting of fresh clean, spicy, floral, citrus, ozone, and marine type perfumes, a surfactant/solubilizer for said perfume, a solvent/drying aid for said perfume, a water soluble metal salt odor absorber, and sufficient buffering agent to maintain the pH of said composition between about 3 and about 7.